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NEWS OF THE WEEK IN TOWN OF CLINTON

James R. Copeland Elected Mayor Last Thursday.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS ON POPULAR PEOPLE

Clinton Alive with Social Entertainments. Many Seeking the Cooler Mountain Climate and the Seashore, while Lots of Visitors are being Entertained in the City.

Clinton, July 22.—In a municipal election held here Thursday to elect a mayor to fill out the unexpired term of W. M. McMillan, resigned, Jas. R. Copeland was elected by a good majority, Wilson W. Harris coming second in the race. There were five candidates in the field and all made creditable showings. They were as follows: Jas. R. Copeland, Wilson W. Harris, H. L. Scaife, W. E. Owens and E. Lee Pitts. Mr. Copeland is a business man and has a large connection of friends and relatives. He is engaged in the general merchandise business and has resided here practically all of his life. Several weeks ago Mayor McMillan resigned to take charge of the postoffice. An election was immediately ordered by city council to select a successor for the unexpired term.

One of the most interesting social features of the week is a house party composed of ten young ladies with Miss Jane Kennedy. The party is composed of Clinton girls, who are Misses Maude and Mabel Sumerel, Bera Bailey, Essie Young, Ola Young, Irene Little, Orrah Bess Little, Bessie Owens and Jessie May Mahaffey of Batesburg, S. C. Many social affairs will be given in their honor during the week.

Miss Eliza Neville entertained a few friends Friday morning in honor of Miss Sue Covington and Miss Mary Cartright of Yorkville.

On Friday night a number of young folks were entertained at Mrs. W. H. Shands.

Monday night Mr. William B. Owens entertained a number of young men.

Miss Virginia Neville left Tuesday for Columbia.

Mr. Stewart Abell of Lowryville was in town this week.

Miss Cartwright of Yorkville, is the guest of Misses Evie and Kate Shands.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Copeland spent Sunday with Mrs. Shakley in Spartanburg.

Mr. Joe Little of Abbeville, visited his mother last week.

Mrs. Henry Young visited her sister at Enoree this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornwell Jacobs of Atlanta are the guests of Mr. J. F. Jacobs.

Miss Florie Langston of Darlington is the guest of Mrs. Philson this week.

Miss Dot Owens is visiting in Laurens.

Mrs. Harris of Spencer, N. C., is visiting Mrs. John Griffith.

Misses Mamie and Sallie Burges left for Clemson this week.

Mrs. J. Q. Phillips is spending some time with her parents in the country.

Miss Jessie May Mahaffey of Batesburg, is the guest of Miss Jane Kennedy this week.

Dr. W. S. Bean is visiting Mrs. Taylor in Asheville, N. C.

Miss Zee Wright is spending this month with her sister in Greenville.

Mr. Lyl Leaman of Cross Hill is in town this week.

Mr. R. C. McLees spent several days in Greenwood last week.

Death of Miss Lizzie Putnam.

Miss Lizzie Putnam, daughter of Mrs. Bluford Putnam, died at her home near Owings Friday night after a lingering illness. She was buried at Harmony cemetery Saturday, services being conducted by Dr. Brimm, of Clinton, in the absence of her regular pastor. Miss Putnam was a consecrated, Christian woman, greatly loved and admired by all who knew her. She was a member of Harmony Baptist church and took a great deal of interest in church affairs.

At Harmony Church.

Men's Day will be observed at the Baptist church on the first in August. Exercises will begin at 10:30 o'clock. The public is invited to be present.

TO STUDY PELLAGRA IN SPARTANBURG

Uncle Sam to Establish Station in that City for the Purpose of Studying the Disease which is Spreading Rapidly.

Washington, July 19.—Senator Tillman and Congressman Johnson talked with Surgeon General Blue of the public health service yesterday on the pellagra situation at Spartanburg. Today General Blue sent the following letter to Senator Tillman:

"Washington, D. C., July 16, 1913. "My Dear Senator:

"In view of the urgent character of the outbreak of pellagra at Spartanburg, S. C., the necessity of advising in respect to the prevention and treatment of the disease and the opportunity thus afforded to secure patients for purposes of study in the marine hospitals being used for pellagra investigations, it is expected that a receiving station or dispensary will be established at Spartanburg. This dispensary will be maintained for some time and will be in charge of an experienced officer. The dispensary will be provided with necessary facilities for such care as is rendered at our patient dispensaries.

Respectfully,

"Rupert Blue, "Surgeon General."

This means that the public health service of the national government will establish a dispensary at Spartanburg for the purposes indicated above. Senator Tillman believes that this dispensary will relieve the situation at Spartanburg in some degree, because all patients sick with pellagra will be sent at government expense, if they desire to go, to the hospital in Savannah for treatment. This may result ultimately in the national government being asked to establish a permanent hospital for the treatment of pellagra and tuberculosis at Spartanburg or some other town in that vicinity.

Because most of the pellagra in South Carolina is found among the mill people, there are more cases in Congressman Johnson's district than in all the balance of the State. Congressman Johnson has been very active in this matter and his position on the committee on appropriations of the house makes him a potent factor in getting the national government to aid these people.—Greenville News.

RALLY AT MT. GALLAGHER.

Masons and Woodmen to Give a Picnic Saturday when a Number of Prominent Speakers will Make Addresses. Brewerton Lodge, A. F. M., and Mt. Gallagher Camp, W. O. W., will celebrate together with a picnic at Mt. Gallagher church Saturday, the 26th. Several speakers, prominent in Masonic and Woodman circles have been invited to make addresses and a most enjoyable day is anticipated. Grand Master Geo. S. Mower, of Newberry, Hon. R. A. Cooper, of Laurens, and W. Hampton Cobb, of Columbia, and others will be present to make addresses. Music will be furnished by the Princeton band. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Work at Newberry.

Mr. R. A. Cooper and Mr. C. A. Power were guests at a Woodman rally at Oakdale Mills, Newberry, Saturday night, where both were on the program for addresses on Woodcraft. Quite a number of people were present and a pleasant and profitable meeting was enjoyed.

Freak Ear of Corn.

Mr. L. H. Willis, of Gray Court, has sent to The Advertiser a freak ear of corn that would puzzle the authorities even at Clemson college. The ear is in reality about thirty-five ears projecting from one stem, though none of the small shoots are fully developed or would likely have been fully developed. The little shoots curl in a downward direction, giving the appearance of an ostrich plume on ladies' hats. Mr. Willis states that he has about eight acres planted in corn and that as a rule the crop promises to be very good.

At Mount Bethel.

Children's Day exercises will be held at Mount Bethel church Friday, the 25th of this month. The people of this church are expecting all of their friends to come and enjoy the day with them. The day will be made pleasant for all those who attend.

COURT ADJOURNED SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Five Hundred Dollars Awarded Larry Cunningham in Suit Against C. N. & L. Appeal to Supreme Court.

The court of common pleas adjourned Saturday afternoon after having considered equity cases all of that day. Judge Devore returned to his home in Edgefield the following day.

The trial of the case of Larry H. Cunningham vs. the C. N. & L. railroad, which was in progress when this paper last went to press, was concluded Wednesday afternoon, the plaintiff securing a verdict for \$500. As will be remembered, the suit was for \$10,000, the plaintiff claiming that he had been injured in this amount because of negligence on the part of the defendant railroad when it was alleged that he was thrown from one of its trains while passing through the Laurens cotton mill village in June of last year. The attorneys for the defendants have filed notice of an appeal to the supreme court.

Up the case of T. L. Barton vs. J. N. Leake et al. This was a suit for actual damages for the recovery of a part of a crop attached by the defendant and for punitive damages in the sum of \$1,000. According to the testimony, the defendant, acting under a mortgage given during the spring of 1912, had the sheriff seize a part of the crop grown by the plaintiff on two adjoining farms near Gray Court, claiming that the papers covered the crop on both farms. The action of the plaintiff was brought to recover the portion of the seizure grown on one of the farms, alleging that the papers only covered the crops grown on the other farm. The jury found for the plaintiff for the return of the property or for \$175 in case the property cannot be delivered. No punitive damages were awarded.

A verdict for the defendant was rendered by the jury in the case of Luther Boyd Palm, by his guardian ad litem, H. P. Riddle, vs. The Watts Cotton Mills. This was a suit for damages in the sum of \$10,000 for injuries alleged to have resulted from burns about eight years ago, when the plaintiff stepped on a pile of live coals on the premises of the defendant company. The contention on the part of the plaintiff was that the defendant was negligent in leaving the coals in the pathway running by the boiler room. The answer of the defendant was that the coals, instead of being in the pathway, were between the pathway and the boiler room and that the plaintiff was trespassing when the accident occurred. Evidence was introduced to sustain both sides in the case, but the jury sustained the contention of the defendant company.

Friday afternoon the court awarded a verdict for the defendants in the case of Mattie Hill vs. Temple Gilliam and Harriett Williams. All of the parties to this case were negroes.

This was a contest over the will of Elihu Williams who lived near Cross Hill. When Elihu died Mattie Hill, who claimed to be his wife, took possession of half of his property of about fifty acres, the other half of the property going to Harriett Walker, about whose claim there was no dispute. After the death of Elihu and after Mattie Hill had taken possession of the land, Harriett Williams made her appearance and claimed that she was the rightful heir of Elihu, as they had been married years before. It was to settle the dispute that Mattie Hill brought suit. The case was decided in favor of the first wife, W. C. McGowan, of Columbia, was present to represent still another claimant to the estate, one Ella Rigby, of Liverpool, Eng. Ella, so it was testified, is a huge negro woman showing herself in England as a gipsy, going under the title of the Princess of Boman. She also claimed to have married Elihu at one time, but the evidence went to show that she reigned in the house of Elihu "betwixt" the other two claimants, so Harriett Williams said.

This was the last jury case to be tried, the court giving its attention to several equity cases Saturday.

Littleton Female College.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Littleton Female College, found in another column of this paper. This institution has had a very successful career and has made a distinct contribution to the education of young women in this and adjoining states.

BLEASE CRITICIZES ADJUTANT GENERAL

Gov. Condemns Moore For Refusing Appropriation to Company Which Failed to Meet Requirements.

Columbia, July 17.—In a letter addressed to Norman S. Richards, commanding the Liberty Hill military company, Governor Blease today criticized W. W. Moore, the adjutant general, for refusing to pay an appropriation of \$225 to the organization. The chief executive says he does not know of "any redress until the primary election of August 1914."

Some time ago the adjutant general refused to pay to the Liberty Hill company an appropriation of \$225, saying that the organization had failed to meet the requirements of the military law. At a meeting of the military board of the state, a majority resolution, signed by the governor, General Willie Jones and Col. Cogswell, of Charleston, instructed Gen. Moore to pay the money. This he refused to do.

Carrying Out the Law.

When asked for a statement today, General Moore said that he was carrying out the statutory law when he refused to pay the Liberty Hill company; that as a sworn officer of the state he could not do otherwise.

Governor Blease's letter follows:

Blease's Letter.

"Captain Norman S. Richards, Liberty Hill, South Carolina.

"Dear Captain: Your letter of July 15th, requesting that your company be excused from encampment duties, received.

"In reply, I beg to say that your request, under the circumstances, will be granted, and your company is hereby excused from attending the encampment at Anderson for this year. "I hope, however, that you will get your boys together as often as you can conveniently; have your drills and your practices, so that when the time comes for them to be inspected that everything will be found in first-class condition and that we will experience no further trouble.

"I regret that General Moore does not pay your company the money due them. The board was unanimous in declaring that you should have it, with the exception of General Moore. Of course, if he desires to set his judgment up against all the balance, I do not know of any redress until the primary election of August, 1914. Very respectfully,

(Signed) "COLE L. BLEASE, "Governor and Commander-in-Chief."

Bailey Military Institute.

In this issue of The Advertiser appears an advertisement of the Bailey Military Institute which is now located in Greenwood. This school is to hold its first session in Greenwood the coming year, having been removed there from Edgefield where it was known as the S. C. C. I. It will open for the fall term in its handsome and commodious new building only recently completed. A fine preparatory course for young boys will be given, and the school, well equipped and with its competent corps of teachers, has a most promising outlook.

W. W. CULBERTSON DEAD.

Former Citizen of this County Died at his Home in Bradley.

Mr. W. W. Culbertson, who has a large family connection in this county and who formerly lived near Ekom, died at his home in Bradley Sunday the 13th, after a long illness. He had been on a steady decline for a number of months, his death not being unexpected. He had numerous friends and relatives in the county who will mourn his death. He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Sallie Freeman, two daughters and one son; his step father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Coley, of the Boyd's Mill section; three brothers, Y. J., of Greenville county, L. C. and W. H., of this county; two half sisters, Mrs. Tom Pitts and Miss Maggie Coley and a half brother, Marvin Coley.

Mr. Culbertson was a thorough Christian man, taking a prominent part in the work of his church, the Bradley Baptist church.

A New Postmaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Hicks are the parents of a new boy, the young man having arrived Sunday morning. The mother and little one were resting well yesterday evening.

FIRST MEETING TO BE IN AUGUST

Conference For Common Good to Hold First Session in Columbia August 6th and 7th.

Columbia, July 19.—The first meeting of the Conference for the Common Good will be held in Columbia, August 6th and 7th. For this meeting the railroads entering Columbia have granted special rates and a large attendance is expected. The purpose of this conference is to offer an opportunity for men and women who have at heart the best interests of the state to come together and discuss vital significant things and endeavor to arrive at a remedy for the evils which exist, and to assist each other in all efforts for the common good. The movement is non-political and the conference will discuss principles and not personalities. It is hoped that its conclusions may deserve the support of all lovers of the state regardless of political affiliations. The conference is intended to be merely a preliminary to county conferences to be held later in the summer or in connection with the county fairs in the fall. It will be noted by reading the program that it is not made up of long papers. Men have been asked to state in a few minutes their conclusions, and then the subject will be open to general discussion. The committee extends to every body a cordial invitation to attend this conference and to participate in its discussions, and to unite in a resolve to think and talk about the things that are worth while.

DR. J. BEN JONES.

Formerly Practised near Cold Point in this County but Moved Several Months ago to Crescent.

The many friends of Dr. J. Ben Jones, who practised medicine up until a few months ago at Cold Point, will regret to learn of his death, which occurred in Greenville Saturday night. The following account of his death was carried by the Greenville News Sunday morning:

Dr. J. Ben Jones, a well known citizen of Laurens and for many years a practicing physician there, died in Greenville last night at the home of his nephew, Mr. Oron Jones, on Elford street. He was 57 years of age. The remains will be carried to Fountain Inn today, leaving here on the noon train via the C. & W. C. railway. The funeral services will be held in Fountain Inn today and the interment in the cemetery there.

Dr. Jones was stopping at the home of relatives here in route to the west for his health. He has a large family connection in the upper part of the state. He enjoyed a lucrative practice in his profession at Laurens for a number of years.

Of the immediate family he is survived by five brothers and three sisters: Dr. Geo. H. Jones, Jefferson Jones, Melton Jones, Mrs. J. A. Craddock and Mrs. Lou Hill, of Crescent, S. C., R. P. and Miss Lillian Jones of Greer, and J. T. Jones of Fountain Inn.

NO PRIMARY AT WOODRUFF.

Senator Tillman Will Not Oppose Congressman Johnson's Choice.

Washington, July 15.—Senator Tillman has notified Representative Johnson that he (Tillman) will no longer insist on a primary for the selection of a postmaster at Woodruff, and will not oppose the nomination of Bruce Arnold, whom Mr. Johnson has decided to recommend.

Several weeks ago Mr. Johnson announced that Mr. Arnold would have his recommendation which is practically equivalent to nomination. Some of the other candidates for the place brought pressure to bear on Senator Tillman and the latter asked Mr. Johnson to have the matter decided by a primary. Mr. Johnson, of course, could not consent to do this, which left the matter of the primary up to Senator Tillman. The senator has since made some inquiry into the situation and has decided that in all probability the primary would not change matters and has therefore decided not to insist upon it, and not to oppose the nomination of Mr. Arnold.

A primary was ordered at Jonesville upon Senator Tillman's suggestion, and Capt. Scott, who had been recommended by Mr. Johnson was chosen by a large majority.—Greenville News.

TRAYNHAM GUARDS OFF FOR ANDERSON

Left This Morning in Special Coach.

WILL BE GONE
FOR EIGHT DAYS

Headed by Capt. W. R. Richey, Jr., Crack Caval Company of State National Guard Leave for Encampment in "The Electric City". Uncle Sam's Regulars to be Present to Show Them a few Pointers.

The Traynham Guards, known officially as Company "D" First Regiment, South Carolina National Guards, left this morning at 8:30 for Anderson where they will remain on encampment for about eight days. They left in a special coach over the C. & W. C. and will change for the Southern Road at Greenwood. The company is in charge of Capt. W. R. Richey, Jr., with 3 commissioned officers, 12 non-commissioned officers and 38 privates.

The Traynham Guards is considered by the army experts who are sent to this state by the U. S. Government, as one of the best in the state militia. It has always ranked exceptionally well in training, equipment and attendance. Capt. W. R. Richey, Jr., a graduate of The Citadel, has a thorough knowledge of military tactics and to him is due a large part of the company's excellent showing. The company is also fortunate in having lieutenants and non-commissioned officers of exceptional ability. Their doings in "The Electric City" will be keenly watched by their many friends in Laurens. Their good work at other encampments is a sure sign that other crack companies will have to "double-time" to keep up.

The stay of eight days in Anderson will be pretty well taken up with real work. With daily drills, dress parades, sham battles and other military stunts; they will doubtless not suffer for lack of something to do. Uncle Sam has detailed a crack regiment of regular infantry to show them how the things should really be done and to give them a touch of real soldier life.

The officers of the local company are as follows:

W. R. Richey, Jr., captain.
B. R. Simpson, 1st lieutenant.
Joe Smith, 2nd lieutenant.
B. A. Sullivan, Jr., 1st sergeant.
Shell McDaniel, quartermaster serg.
R. A. Little, line sergeant.
J. A. Davenport, line sergeant.
Lang Nesbitt, line sergeant.
Pike Switzer, line sergeant.
W. R. Crisp, corporal.
Ran Little, corporal.
Tom Bolt, corporal.
Frank Russ, corporal.
W. R. King, corporal.
Clarence Cannon, corporal.

Heat Severe on Animals.

The showers Saturday afternoon, Saturday night and Sunday evening came as welcome guests after the severe heat of the few days previous. While crops in some sections of the county were not suffering for rain, in other sections corn and garden crops were suffering severely and the cotton was not making much progress. Draft animals also came in for their share of the heat. Several deaths from heat are reported from over the county. Elcheberger Brothers, of this city, suffered the loss of a large horse, the one bought some time ago from the Union fire department, a valuable animal. This horse succumbed to the heat Saturday afternoon. Mr. Cullen C. Jones, of Fountain Inn, lost a valuable saddle and harness horse Saturday afternoon. This was a splendid animal valued at over \$400. No further losses have been reported since the rains of Saturday evening.

Faculty Completed.

Miss Kittle Richards, daughter of R. R. Commissioner John G. Richards, of Society Hill, has been elected to fill the vacancy in the city graded schools made by the resignation of Miss Annie Davis. Miss Richards is a college graduate with several years experience in school work and comes very highly recommended. This election completes the faculty for the coming session.